

What is claimed is:

1. A hook device for suspending an object, comprising:

a case member having a stopping portion,

5 a hook main portion disposed in the case member to be rotatable between a store position and a use position, and having an elastic member, and

10 an engaging portion attached to the elastic member of the hook main portion to engage the stopping portion so that the hook main portion is stopped at a use position with a predetermined open angle.

15 2. A hook device as claimed in claim 1, wherein at least one of said stopping portion and said engaging portion has an inclined surface so that the elastic member elastically deforms in a direction that the stopping portion further engages the engaging portion when a load is applied to the hook main portion in a direction that the hook main portion opens.

20 3. A hook device as claimed in claim 1, wherein at least one of said stopping portion and said engaging portion has an inclined surface so that the elastic member elastically deforms in a direction that the stopping portion moves away from the engaging portion when a load is applied to the hook main portion in a direction that the hook main portion opens.

25 4. A hook device as claimed in claim 1, further comprising urging means attached to the case member for urging the hook main portion in a direction that the hook main portion opens, and a latch mechanism for holding the hook main portion at a

predetermined store position against an urging force of the urging means.

5 5. A hook device as claimed in claim 1, wherein said stopping portion is located at a rear side of the case member, and said hook main portion has a bottom portion from which the elastic member projects rearwardly and upwardly.

10 6. A hook device as claimed in claim 5, wherein said hook main portion has a space between the bottom portion and the elastic member so that the elastic member is deformable toward the bottom portion.